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For your interest, I am enclosing a copy of a recently released study on granular activated carbon (GAC) prepared by the National Academy of Sciences' Subcommittee on Adsorption. I am also enclosing a document which compares arguments regarding GAC (including concerns previously raised by you) that we presented in a February AWWA Journal article to the recent findings of the NAS Subcommittee.

The Subcommittee's report, it appears to me, supports the GAC health concerns you have raised with the National Drinking Water Advisory Council and the U.S. EPA.

Very truly yours,

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**Enclosures**